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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE

November 4, 2003

On September 30, 2003 at 10:00 PM Jose Contreras, who was only 17 years old, was shot and killed, only two blocks from his home. The shooting occurred next to the bus stop between Budlong Avenue and Van Buren Avenue. Jose was shot in the back as he and a friend passed by the suspect. No words had been exchanged and investigators do not believe the shooting was gang related. The second victim was shot several times. Neither victim was involved with gangs or dressed in typical gang attire. This was a senseless and un-provoked attack and investigators need your help to bring the suspects to justice.

Jose had his entire life ahead of him. He attended Leuzinger High School in the City of Lawndale. Jose left behind two sisters, his mother and father.

The suspect is described as follows:

Male Black/18 years old, light skinned, approximately 5'5"-5'10" tall, medium to slender build. He was wearing: Dark loose fitting pants, with red and white shirt over a white – t-shirt and white tennis shoes. His hair was approximately one inch in length in a loose curl.

**THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

Offer a reward in the amount of \$5,000 in return for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person (s) responsible for the murder of Jose Contreras.

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